

REMARKS

The present Preliminary Amendment eliminates multidependency of claims 7 - 11.

An early action on merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted

Alexander Zinchuk
Alexander Zinchuk
Reg. No. 30,541

Dated: **July 7, 2004**

Sidley Austin Brown & Wood LLP
787 Seventh Avenue
New York, NY 10019
Tel: (212) 839-7365

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on July 7, 2004.

Alexander Zinchuk